

**LANDFILL COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
March 10th, 2026
4:00 P.M.**

Present: Ben Bridges, Brenda Abercrombie, Mike Holley and Nathan Pilgreen. Absent: None. Also present: Curtis Moses, A.J. Ford, Jr., Danielle Harkins, Justin Echols, Milas Davidson, Donald Mullins, Scott Williams and Amanda White.

There were no public comments.

Mr. Bridges called the meeting to order. Mr. Holley led the group in prayer.

Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mrs. Abercrombie to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mrs. Abercrombie, seconded by Mr. Holley to approve the minutes of the December 2nd, 2025 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Donald Mullins addressed the committee regarding the collection of recyclable materials. A brief discussion was held regarding the purchase of a mobile trailer to collect recyclable materials in Union Parish. **No action taken.**

Bucket truck - A lengthy discussion was held regarding equipment needs for the Landfill. Mr. Bridges stated that the bucket trucks have not been updated in years. The trucks are basically worn out. Mr. Bridges stated that a new bucket truck will cost up to \$350,000. A request has been submitted to Senator Stewart Cathey's office for the purchase of a new bucket truck. The bucket truck was not budgeted for 2026.

Mr. Holley stated that there are also issues with other equipment that might be more pressing than the bucket truck. Mr. Holley also questioned whether the bucket trucks were double framed. Mr. Holley also wanted to make sure the protocol was being followed for equipment purchases.

No action taken on the bucket truck.

Caterpillar tractor – A brief discussion was held regarding the John Deere tractor. The side boom was removed from the tractor and is being utilized at the Landfill. If the tractor was replaced, it would cost over \$200,000. Mr. Bridges suggested purchasing an older tractor. Mr. Bridges also suggested sending out specs to a few dealers. **No action taken.**

Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mr. Pilgreen to recommend to the full jury to hire Lyle Equipment to repair the Tanna Compactor's AC system and relocate the condenser in the amount of \$4,300. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion Mr. Pilgreen, seconded by Mrs. Abercrombie to recommend to the full jury to hire Koorsen Fire & Security to recharge the fire suppression system in the Tanna compactor in the amount of \$5,300. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no more business to come before the committee, Mr. Bridges declared the meeting adjourned upon motion by Mr. Pilgreen and duly seconded by Mrs. Abercrombie on this the 10th day of March, 2026.

Ben Bridges, Chairman
Paula Strickland, Secretary/Treasurer